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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Applicant's representative Luminita Todor 06/20/08.

3. The claims have been amended as follows:

Claim 1: An information processing apparatus processing information and displaying plural windows on a display device, comprising:
a screen memory for the display device; and
a processing unit outputting image data of a specific window of the screen memory to an external monitor;
wherein said processing unit executes plural tasks being started, displays the plural windows according to said plural tasks on said display device, and displays an external monitor output selection menu with a plurality of output modes in a menu bar of each of the plural windows, to select whether said image data of said window is output to said external monitor by said processing unit to be displayed, wherein said external monitor output menu includes an item that indicates that the image data of the window is always output to said external

monitor, and an item that indicates that the image data of the window is output to said external monitor when effective on the display device, and wherein, for each of the plural windows, said processing unit checks which item of the external monitor output selection menu corresponding to the window is selected, and outputs the image data of the selected window to said external monitor according to a result of checking.

Claim 2. (CANCELLED).

Claim 3: The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said processing unit outputs image data of a single effective window among the plural windows displayed on the display device to the external monitor.

Claim 4 (CANCELLED).

Claim 5. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said processing unit starts up a display application program whose corresponding window for the is output to said external monitor according to starting of an operating system..

Claim 6 (CANCELLED).

Claim 7 The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said processing unit executes an application for reproducing an image.

Claim 8: A method of controlling a display device, comprising:
executing plural tasks;
displaying plural windows of each of said tasks on said display device; and

outputting image data of a selected window among said plural windows to an external monitor,
wherein said displaying comprises displaying an external monitor output selection menu in a menu bar of each window of the display device to select whether image data of said window is output to said external monitor, the selection menus being displayed with a plurality of output modes and including an item that indicates that the image data of the window is always output to said external monitor, and an item that indicates that the image data of the respective window is output to said external monitor when effective on the display device, and
said outputting includes checking which item of the external monitor output selection menu corresponding to the window is selected, and outputting the image data of the selected window to said external monitor according to a result of the checking.

Claim 9 (CANCELLED).

Claim 10. The method according to claim 8, wherein said outputting comprises outputting the image data of an effective window among plural windows of the display device according to an item of said selection menu to the external monitor.

Claim 11 (CANCELLED).

Claim 12 The method according to claim 8; further comprising starting a display application program whose corresponding window is output to the external monitor according to starting of an operating of an information

processing apparatus.

Claim 13 (CANCELLED).

Claim 14 The method according to claim 8, wherein said displaying comprises displaying a reproduction image on said selected window.

Claim 15 A computer-readable storage medium storing a program for a display device causing a computer to execute:

displaying plural windows of each executed tasks on said display device; and

outputting image data of a selected window monitor among said plural windows, to an external monitor,

wherein said displaying comprises displaying an external monitor output selection menu in a menu bar of each window of the display device to select whether image data of said window is output to said external monitor to be displayed, the selection menus being displayed with a plurality of output modes, and including an item that indicates that the image data of the window is always output to said external monitor, and an item that indicates that the image data of the respective window is output to said external monitor when effective on the display device, and

said outputting includes checking which item of the external monitor output selection menu corresponding to the window is selected, and outputting the image data of the selected window to said external monitor according to a result of the checking.

Claim 16 (CANCELLED).

Claim 17 (CANCELLED).

Claim 18 (CANCELLED).

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7-8, 10, 12, and 14-15 are allowed.
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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kieu D. Vu. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Thu from 7:00AM to 3:00PM at 571-272-4057.

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